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So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, due to business in Colorado, I was unable to vote on the bill, H.R. 409. Had I been able to vote, I would have voted "yea."

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. HORN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 409, the bill just passed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE CORRECTIONS IN THE EN-GROSSMENT OF H.R. 409, FED-ERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 1999

Mr. HORN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that, in the engrossment of the bill, H.R. 409, the Clerk be authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, and cross-references, and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House of Representatives.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 1999, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

DIABETES RESEARCH WORKING GROUP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Washington (Mr. NETHERCUTT) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. NETHERCUTT. Mr. Speaker, to-morrow the results of a year-long effort to chart a path to cure diabetes will be released. The summary of the Diabetes Research Working Group report will be unveiled by the chairman of the group, Dr. Ronald Kahn, at a press conference at the National Press Club at noon. It is my expectation that the results of the group's work will dramatically change the direction of diabetes research in this country and may be a model for many other diseases that all Americans face throughout the United States.

With regard to history of this effort, the establishment of the group came about through legislation I sponsored in the last session of Congress. Through the help of the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. PORTER), the authorization for the group was incorporated into the Labor, Health Appropriations Bill.

The Diabetes Research Working Group is a scientific panel composed of 12 experts in the field of diabetes and four very knowledgeable representatives of the lay community. The chairman was appointed by National Institutes of Health, and the Institutes have played a critical role in supporting his efforts.

The group members have spent the last year engrossed in examining the current state of diabetes research and charting a 5-year path for future research, a path that will have the best

chance of leading us to a cure and improving the lives of 16 million Americans who have diabetes.

To the average person, charting a path may not seem like a dramatic step forward. It is, however, a departure from how the National Institutes of Health has traditionally funded research. Normally scientific researchers focus on the immediate research proposals they are presented with for review. This report by the Diabetes Research Working Group is an effort to take a step back and reassess that procedure. It is an effort to ask the questions where are we today, where do we want to be in 5 years, and what do we need to do to get there to cure this disease. The Diabetes Research Working Group has done this.

The report contains specific scientific recommendations in areas ranging from genetics, cell signaling, and clinical trials to macrovascular and oral complications. Each recommendation is tied to a funding level. Added together, the scientific recommendations require \$827 million for fiscal year 2000, an increase of \$384 million over the present year.

I quote from the summary of the report, "The Diabetes Research Working Group believes that such a budget increase is necessary for implementation of the programs presented in the Research Plan, consistent with the rising impact of diabetes on the United States in both human and economic terms, and that the proposed budget is more in line with the levels of research funding for other major disease areas. Most importantly, the Diabetes Research Working Group believes that such an investment has the potential to reduce dramatically the personal, societal, and economic burden of diabetes for the American people in the 21st Century.'

Dr. Harold Varmus, who is the director of the National Institutes of Health, has said that NIH funding will go where the science shows there is opportunity. The Working Group Report is proof that, not only is there opportunity in the areas of diabetes research, but there is a plan.

Mr. Speaker, I urge the Members to support the recommendations of the Diabetes Research Working Group, and the roughly 205 members of the Diabetes Caucus are invited to participate in this effort to unveil this report tomorrow.

TRIBUTE TO WILMER "VINEGAR BEND" MIZELLE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. BURR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and memory of a former Member of this body and one of my predecessors